

Tuesday, May 14, 2002

Connectors on Endeavour under inspection

▲ **Mission Update:** At Pad A, technicians have completed the installation of the Space Station Remote Manipulator System replacement wrist joint as work continues for Endeavour's scheduled May 30 mission, STS-111. Over the weekend at Pad A, technicians completed inspections of 13 connector savers in the orbiter T-0 umbilicals after initial checks indicated several savers appeared to be loose. Only one of the 13 savers was not locking properly and was replaced. The Terminal Countdown Demonstration Test for mission STS-111 is scheduled this week.



▲ **Celebrating Asian-Pacific Heritage:** In recognition of Asian-Pacific Heritage Month, the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) will hold its annual program at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 22, in the Training Auditorium, followed by a luncheon in a tent outside. The theme for this year's celebration is "Unity in Freedom." The lunch menu consists of pepper steak, bourbon chicken, veggie delight, pork fried rice or vegetable fried rice, rice noodles, spring rolls (vegetable) and fortune cookies. Tickets are on sale now through May 21, at \$8 per person. The tickets also will be on sale at the Training Auditorium on May 22. For ticket information, please contact one of the following: HQ - Marina Harris (867-2729) or Janet Keith (867-3420); O&C - Paula Nosca (867-3610) or Minako Holdrum (867-3295); SSPF - Shirish Patel (867-6112) or Mindy Vuong (867-4096); Cape Canaveral - Denise Pham (853-5357); OSB/VAB Areas - Patrick Cuyno (861-7357). In addition, AAPI needs volunteers to support our group. If you are interested, please contact any persons listed above.



KSC to celebrate Asian-Pacific Month

◆ **The Cape Canaveral Spaceport Geographical Information System** is an SGS project aimed at capturing, recording, displaying and analyzing geographic information by means of a shared platform within the Spaceport gated community. The system data structure incorporates strict national data standards and is electronically available only inside existing firewalls.

CCSGIS is powered by the SGS GIS Team currently led by **Bill Stoeckel** of SGS's Real Property Group. Project leadership formed by SGS Project Manager **John Bridges** and KSC TA Project Manager **Tony Killiri** laid a solid CCSGIS foundation that will support the massive framework of future applications. Information Technology (IT) teamwork has been the cement and steel providing strength to the project. Led by SGS **Jill Sprinkle** and **Rich Saylor**, IT professionals have created the magic many users see when first logging into the system. Visit the Cape Canaveral Spaceport Geographical Information System (CCSGIS) Web site available through the KSC Network. Simply enter "GIS" as the URL address. **A demonstration of the CCSGIS will be presented to the KSC community on May 28 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Training Auditorium.**

◆ **Did You Know? National Employee Health & Fitness Days** are May 16-17 at KSC. Enjoy FREE 5-minute massages; gait analysis from "Up & Running"; consults with RehabWorks and a registered dietitian; door prizes; snacks. A mammography van will also be available. Stop by the OSB Lobby noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, May 16, or the O&C Fitness Center, noon to 5 p.m. Friday, May 17. For more information, call KSC Fitness Centers at 867-7829 or 861-3028, or go to <http://fitness.ksc.nasa.gov>.

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Deadlines: 10 a.m. the day before. Send information, comments or questions to:

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